



P.O. Box 667 Niagara Falls, New York 14302 716 283-5000

Mr. Charles Dolan Chief Site Investigation & Compliance Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 11 26 Federal Plaza New York, NY 10278

Dear Mr. Dolan:

Re: Request for Information under 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e)(1) and 42 U.S.C. § 6927(a); Hazardous Wastes -- Great Lakes Carbon EPA# NYD002118248

The following information is being provided in response to Mr. William J. Librizzi's letter of May 15, 1985, and the Information Request sheet which is attached.

Question Number	Response
1.	PCB capacitors are currently in use in the plant electrical system, and over the years, some have been disposed of when their electrical integrity became degraded.
2.	The capacitors consist of sealed metal containers filled with PCB liquid for insulating purposes. As of this writing, capacitors containing a total of 23,745.3 Kg. of PCB liquid are in service or stored as spares for future use. There are no capacitors in storage for disposal. The above figures are based on a recent plant inventory.
3.	Not applicable; the capacitors are sealed metal containers.
4.	Based on the records that currently exist, the following documents (copies of which are attached to this letter) cover the disposal of the capacitors referred to under Item 1:

Purchase Order NA 89892 Hazardous Waste Manifest NY8136-1 Hazardous Waste Manifest NY1704951 Hazardous Waste Manifest NY2335383 Mr. Charles Dolan

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### Response

5. Persons having knowledge of the facts relating to the disposal of the aforementioned capacitors are:

Mike Reele Randy Kaczynski 5700 Niagara Falls Blvd. Niagara Falls, NY 14304

- 6. To the best of our knowledge, no other person (e.g., company, individual, partnership) used or transported or disposed of hazardous substances or wastes at our facility.
- 7. Yes, there are underground storage tanks located at our facility.
- 8. The information requested on the underground storage tanks:

Tank	Approx. Year of Installation	Location	Volume_	Status
F01	1977	NW sector of plant	20,000 gallons	Fuel oil stored for emergency use
F02	1977	SW sector of plant	20,000 gallons	Fuel oil stored for emergency use
F03	1977	SE sector of plant	20,000 gallons	Fuel oil stored for emergency use
F04	1977	SE sector of plant	10,000 gallons	Fuel oil stored for emergency use

- 9. Per engineering specifications, the tanks in Question 7 are constructed of 5/16" hot rolled carbon steel and are coated on all outside surfaces with black asphaltum.
- 10. No repair work has been performed or is being contemplated in the near future for the tanks listed under Question 8.
- 11. Number 2 fuel oil has been and is currently stored inside the subject tanks.

Also attached is the notarized signature sheet certifying the information provided above.

Very truly yours,

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George C. McBane Plant Manager

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## CERTIFICATION OF ANSWERS TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

STATE OF NEW YORK	)		
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COUNTY OF Niagara	)		

I certify that the foregoing answers to the EPA Request for Information are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief and that any documents submitted herewith are complete and authentic to the best of my knowledge and belief.

George C. McBane
PRINTED NAME OF PERSON SIGNING

Plant Manager
TITLE

Signature of person signing

Sworn to before me this 30th day

of

May

, 1985.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Jane R. Barber

Notary Public State of New York Qualified in Niagara County My Commission Expires 3/30/87

Attachment for Question 4. **PRODUCTS** Great Lakes Carbon Corporation 731 3281 P. O.Box 667 STREET ADDRESS OR P. O. BOX NO. No. NA-89892 ra Falls, NY 1 State and zip code no. DATE 0 12/13/79 SCA Chemical Waste Disposal CREAT LAKES CARBON CORPORATION Balmer Rd. PINE & 58TH STREET WAIN FLANT Lewiston, NY 14092 NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y. 14302 1 Properly handle, transport & dispose of one (1) large high voltage capacitor in accordance with TSCA and all other appropriate rules and regulations. Total cost (minimum charge) lot \$300.00 4/2 × 12/2 × 13/2

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PLEASE FURNISH THE MATERIAL DESCRIBED ABOVE.

BY ACCEPTING OR FILLING THIS ORDER, OR ANY PART THEREOF, YOU AS SELLER HEREBY AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ON THE FACE AND REVERSE SIDE HEREOF. Great Lakes Carbon Corporation Purchase

G. G. Misener, Plant Purchasing Agent



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April 9, 1985

Mr. Henry G. Williams Commissioner N.Y.S.D.E.C. 50 Wolf Road Albany, NY 12233-0001

Dear Commissioner Williams:

Re: Hazardous Waste Disposal Sites Charles N. Goddard's letter of April 3, 1985

Please be advised that the site in question was used to landfill plant wastes such as graphite and carbon shapes, brick, concrete, solid pitch, etc., from the time manufacturing operations began in 1939 up to and including 1966. Samples of typical materials known to be landfilled were tested in accordance with RCRA criteria and were determined to be nonhazardous.

Our records indicate that this site was never classified as containing hazardous materials and, therefore, we must question the basis for classifying this former landfill as a hazardous waste disposal site.

This information was previously transmitted to Charles N. Goddard in a letter dated October 15, 1984, but a response has yet to be received.

Sincerely yours,

Mike Reele, P. E. Senior Engineer

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cc: A. F. Souka - GLC Elizabethton

G. C. McBane - GLC Niagara Falls

J. D. McKenzie - GLC New York